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Regular Meeting March 10, 2016

Chairman Martin called the meeting to order and led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present: Chairman Gary Martin, Vice Chairman Ken Sheaffer, Supervisor Amos Seiders, Solicitor Marcus McKnight, and Secretary Vicki Knepp.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Beecher wanted to know why a speed limit sign was placed in his front yard. He wants it moved. Chairman Martin explained that we are given guidelines by the State as to where we must place signs. He had a copy of the regulations that he had requested from the Secretary. He discussed it with the State Police and he does not think the sign is necessary. Chairman Martin said he will look at the location of the sign. If it can be moved we will move it; however it will not be removed completely.

Ian Ward from Boy Scout Troup 185 – Mr. Ward had made a presentation to the Supervisors at the November 12, 2015 Board of Supervisors for an Eagle Scout project, moving the horseshoe pits from the fire station to the campus of the Municipal Building. In November Mr. Ward was unable to answer questions posed by the Board regarding distances from the stream and road right of way. DEP requires a 50' buffer zone from the stream and the Zoning Ordinance required a 20' setback from the right of way. Mr. Ward presented a diagram to the Board showing the proposed location of the horseshoe pits. Vice Chairman Sheaffer asked if they will be flush with the ground to make mowing easier. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve Mr. Ward's Eagle Scout project. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Gary Mullen – Mr. Mullen said he wanted to update the Board on his meeting with Rep. Bloom on septic sampling. Mr. Mullen stated that Mr. Bloom found some relevant information in PA Code Title 25, Chapter 71.73 "or inspection". Chairman Martin stated that we cannot rush into this. We need to research it further and not just rush into it. Vice Chairman Sheaffer stated that he believes the logistics of keeping track of it would be a big headache. Chairman Martin wanted to know what kind of testing or certification a tester must have. We would need to develop a list of approved testers as well as our approved septic haulers, and develop a tracking system. We will look at it for the beginning of the next year.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 11, 2016 Regular Meeting. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve the February 29, 2016 Treasurer's Report. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

APPROVAL OF SUBDIVISION PLANS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Trash – The Secretary reported that she still has one stopped service. It is a tenant who is both delinquent and bounced a check. The Secretary has been in contact with the landlord who said they will make the check good and bring the account up to date.

The Secretary stated that Resolution 2016-10 sets the new trash fees effective July 1, 2016. Regular service will be going from \$48.90 to \$46.47 and Senior Citizen will be going from \$46.74 to \$42.00. Everything else will remain the same. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-010. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Septic – The Secretary reported that she sent out 7 letters out or properties that were not pumped in 2015 and she has started working on the postcards for the 2016 pumping.

Tony Sennett – The Solicitor reported that there has been some movement. Mr. Sennett is meeting with the surveyor, he feels a parking lot is not in the right place in the drawing and he is going to have that corrected. They believe that if they do everything correctly they will not need a subdivision plan. Mr. Sennett is paying for the expense of the survey.

Hassinger Drive – The Zoning Hearing Board denied Mr. Wenger's appeal of the building permit issued to Mr. Ries.

Reinterment of Civil War Graves – Mr. Knepp reported that he has been working on it. He has been in contact with the Massachusetts 54th and they have given him a couple of other places to contact. One of the places is the Civil War Museum in Harrisburg.

John LeDane – Chairman Martin reported that Mr. LeDane is starting to accumulate junk on the carport again. Chairman Martin is concerned that with summer coming we will have issues with snakes and vermin again. We need to talk to Mr. LeDane again. Vice Chairman Sheaffer will take a look at it and see how bad it has gotten again.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2016-09 Covered Device Recycling Act – Chairman Martin stated that recycling of TVs is required by law but vendors are not complying, so you cannot legally dispose of a TV in Cumberland County. Harrisburg recycling will take TVs from Cumberland County residents with limitations. Representative Bloom is working on a bill to modify the law. Our Resolution calls on the State to modify the Act. Chairman Martin made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-09. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Chairman Martin stated that we have received a request from the Central Pennsylvania Conservancy for signage and fire police for the "Ironmasters Challenge" on April 24, 2016. This is a fund raiser for the Conservancy with a foot race through the mountain through Pine Grove State park with several road crossings. The fire police are requested to man a road crossing at the top of the mountain on 233. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to approve the request. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

CORRESPONDENCE

Girl Scouts – Chairman Martin reported that we have received a letter from the Girl Scouts requesting that we send a letter of commendation for Brooke Kiner. Ms. Kiner had solicited donations to put together 100 backpacks with school supplies for underprivileged students in the Big Spring School District. We will draft a letter for the April meeting.

PROJECT UPDATES

Tri-County Grant – Chairman Martin reported that he has a meeting at PennDOT tomorrow with Brian Funkhouser to present the study to PennDOT and get their thoughts on it.

ZONING CODES ENFORCEMENT

Tim Knepp reported that he had 5 permit applications for the month. All were approved. He stated that PennDOT will be eliminating stickers on license plates. This will impact our ability to determine whether a vehicle is registered. Chairman Martin stated we will need to depend on inspection stickers. The Solicitor stated he will amend the Ordinance.

SOLICITOR REPORT

FPE – The Solicitor reported that he has gotten the fees from our engineers except for one item. He would like to get the other side out to look at it the culvert before we begin making corrections. After that he will schedule the mediation. The Secretary reported that the culvert has been ordered and she thinks it should be in soon.

Hodecker – The Solicitor stated he needs to get this scheduled with the Judge. He does not want to go to arbitration.

Stambaugh – The Stambaugh's will not sign for any certified mail. The Solicitor stated he has to have the Constable service them again. Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to have the Stambaughs served. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved. Chairman Martin stated that he had a discussion with the State Police regarding site lines at Smith Road. Mr. Stambaugh is parking equipment so that vehicles are unable to see to pull out of Smith onto Ritner safely. We contacted the Conservation District about the manure pit overtopping and running out into the ditch and undercutting the bank along Smith Road. The Conservation District ended up contacting DEP. The Secretary reported that she had to call the Conservation District a second time, the tank was "seeping". She is still waiting on copies of the reports from the

Conservation District. The Solicitor said he will see about getting the reports sent either to her or to himself. Mr. Knepp reported that Mr. Stambaugh appears to be moving everything over to Quarry Hill Road. The potential sale has fallen through.

43 Irish Gap Road – The Solicitor had a copy of the letter he has sent to the owner and tenant of 43 Irish Gap Road. They have been given 30 days to vacate the property.

Township Fire Inspector – The Solicitor has not had a chance to talk to Chambersburg or MDIA yet.

Bowermaster – No progress has been made since the hearing. The next hearing is in April.

OTHER REPORTS

Chairman Martin reported that we had planned to recognize two of our residents who saved the life of another resident at the Fire Company Banquet on March 19. The residents are unable to attend the banquet so he would like to honor them at our next meeting and put something in the newsletter. He will invite them to the meeting, Mr. Knepp will ask the resident if she will attend the meeting also.

Outreach Meeting – Vector Control is very adamant about the dangers of West Nile and Zika viruses. We need to inform everyone about standing water and tires. Mr. Knepp asked what he is to do about the farmers who have hundreds of tires holding down plastic. Chairman Martin will talk to the County and see what can be done. In Lancaster County farmers are required to cut the tires in half so they will not hold water. There may be another BRAC coming in 2017. Farmland Preservation for 2016 is \$2.77 million to spend to preserve land. Cumberland County has 11% of its farmland preserved. Penn Township has the highest percentage of all the municipalities. The County Planning Commission said that Cumberland County is the fastest growing county in the State. We have the second lowest unemployment. Additional warehouses are going to have a difficult time finding workers so it has slowed down building.

APPROVAL OF BILLS LISTING

Supervisor Seiders made a motion to pay the bills. Vice Chairman Sheaffer seconded the motion. Motion approved.

SUPERVISORS' COMMENTS

The Secretary reported that Ms. Cromer has gotten the tank on her RV pumped and the bags of trash have disappeared.

Mr. Knepp reported that he had stopped at 1522 Pine Road while carpet, furniture and processed lumber were being unloaded off a trailer to be burnt. He stopped them. The owner of the property claims she has been doing this for three years. He informed her that she cannot burn the items. He has been keeping an eye on the property. The pile is gone. He has taken pictures today. If he catches her burning illegally he is going to give her the

full fine under the Ordinance rather than the \$25.00 Citation fine since she has been warned.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairman Sheaffer made a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Seiders seconded the motion. Motion approved.

NEXT MEETING April 14, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Knepp Secretary